

Group & Individual Cabin Camping



In Brief

Prince William Forest Park, a unit of the National Park System, is a 15,000+ acre piedmont forest preserving a variety of natural and cultural resources 32 miles south of Washington, D.C. The park offers a variety of recreational opportunities, including 37 miles of hiking trails, over 21 miles of bicycle accessible roads and trails and numerous campgrounds. The park's cultural resources are varied and include historic cabin camps built by the Civilian Conservation Corps during the 1930s and used by the Office of Strategic Services (predecessor to the CIA) during the Second World War.

General Information

Prince William Forest Park administers five cabin camps. Each camp is composed of groups of small, historical wooden structures built by the Civilian Conservation Corps during the 1930s. With the exception of Cabin Camp 5 (Camp Happyland), all cabin camps are unheated. None of the camps have air conditioning

A central dining hall with a commercial size oven and refrigerator, spacious counter and a large area

for dining is located within each group camp. All cabins and dormitories are equipped with single cots and mattresses. Facilities for hot showers and flush toilets are located centrally in each camp. Mops, brooms and toilet tissue are provided. Campers must bring their own bedding, cookware, cleaning supplies, tableware, trash bags, soap and first aid supplies.

Applications & Reservations

Camping in the individual, family and small group cabins in the A and B Units of Cabin Camp 3 (Camp Orenda) is accepted on a first come, first served basis, beginning in March (Applicants must be at least eighteen years old to apply). For information please call Prince William Forest Park at 703- 221- 5843.

Reservations are required for Group Cabin Camps 1, 2, 4, 5 and C Unit of Cabin Camp 3. A \$25 non-refundable application fee must be mailed with your application. Applications are accepted on the following schedule:

Spring/Summer
If camping during the first week of May through August 31, applications are accepted from October 1 through December 1.

Fall
If camping during September 1 through the third weekend of October, applications are accepted from March 1 through May 1.

Winter
If camping during November through April in Cabin Camp 5, applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis.

Once the completed application is received, applicable paperwork will be mailed to you. Your full payment should be sent no later than sixty days prior to your scheduled arrival.

Cabin Camps 1, 2, 3 and 4 are only open seasonally from mid April through mid October. Cabin Camp 5 is open year- round.

Facility Use Fees	Camp 1 (Camp Goodwill) \$175 rental + \$130 utilities = \$305 per night	Camp 5 (Camp Happyland) \$215 rental + \$185 utilities = \$400 per night
	Camp 2(Camp Mawavi) \$190 rental + \$110 utilities = \$300 per night	Day use is generally readily available during the week, but can be limited on weekends. The fee for day use is \$125. The above fees apply to cabin camp use fees only. When visiting other areas of the park, an entrance fee of \$5 per private vehicle charged.
	Camp 3 (Camp Orenda) \$80 rental + \$90 utilities = \$170 per night	
	Camp 4 (Camp Pleasant) \$200 rental + \$130 utlities = \$330 per night	

Emergencies and Security	Report all emergencies to a park ranger. The park’s visitor center is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with exception to Thanksgiving , Christmas Day and New Year’s Day. The visitor center phone number is 703- 221- 7181.	on U.S. Route 1 Northbound at the stoplight. Proceed for eight miles. Turn left onto Opitz Blvd. Drive for ¾ mile. Potomac Hospital is on the right.
	For law enforcement concerns, please contact a park ranger or call Park Dispatch toll free at 866- 677- 6677, or call 9- 1- 1 for emergencies.	Be sure to designate a group leader on your application. This individual will assume responsibility for seeing that all campers are informed of, and comply with, park rules and regulations. This person must be with the group while the camp is occupied.
	A telephone is located at the central dining hall of each camp. Keep valuables and property secure at all times. Report lost and found items to a park ranger or at the visitor center.	Only one vehicle is allowed within the camp (for emergency transportation) and <u>must</u> be parked at the central dining hall. Once loading/unloading is completed, <u>all other vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas.</u>
	Potomac Hospital is approximately ten miles north of the park. To get there, turn left on 619. Turn left	

Occupancy & Check-In/Check-Out Times



Camp 1 (Camp Goodwill) Capacity is 134 visitors Check- in time is 1:00 p.m. Check- out time is 11:00 a.m.	Camp 5 (Camp Happyland) Capacity is 200* visitors Check- in time is 3:00 p.m. Check- out time is 1:00 p.m.
Camp 2 (Camp Mawavi) Capacity is 110 visitors Check- in time is 4:00 p.m. Check- out time is 2:00 p.m.	* Capacity for winter camping at Cabin Camp Five =104 (November through April).
Camp 3 (Camp Orenda) Capacity is 60 visitors Check- in time is 2:00 p.m. Check- out time is 12:00 p.m.	The above times must be adhered to. If the times stated on your permit are not met, additional charges may be incurred. Upon arrival, the group leader will be required to walk through the camp with a National Park Service representative to ascertain readiness of the camp. A similar procedure will be followed at check- out. Please allow one hour for each inspection.
Family camping size and rates for single cabins in Camp 3: Cabin (sleeps four) \$30 per night Cabin (sleeps six) \$40 per night Cabin (sleeps ten) \$50 per night	No discount is available Golden Age or Golden Access passes holders for cabin rentals. Fees must be paid in advance and are non- refundable, unless you cancel at least two weeks prior to the beginning of your reservation date or the park is unable to furnish you with a cabin for any reason.
Camp 4 (Camp Pleasant) Capacity is 152 visitor Check- in time is 2:00 p.m. Check- out time is 12:00 p.m.	

Rules and Regulations

Fires Fires may be built only in designated areas and must be completely out before departure. Use only firewood that is brought from outside the park. The park does not supply fire wood, nor does it condone foraging for it. Large barrel drum grills are available on a first come, first served basis. Rental fee for a grill is \$25 per day.	Swimming & Boating Groups wishing to use a lake for swimming or boating must have a certified lifeguard present during activities. Copies of this certification must be mailed with the application and lifeguards must have their certification cards available at all times. Each group of 25 should have one of these persons present during the swimming sessions. Swimming after dark is not allowed and the use of vessels of any kind is prohibited except upon special permission of the park superintendent.
Wildlife & Vegetation The removal, destruction, injury, defacement or disturbance of any structure, tree, flower, fruit, vegetation, rock or wildlife is prohibited. Please avoid contact with wildlife. Attaching, hanging, suspending or securing ropes, chains or wires to structures, trees or vegetation is prohibited. The number of occupants in the camp at any one time cannot exceed the specified capacities.	Camp Etiquette We appreciate your help in keeping the camp area clean and attractive. Please remember to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leave your cabin in a clean condition by sweeping floors and standing up mattresses.• Be considerate of others by honoring quiet time (10:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m.).• Put all trash in trash bags and place in the trash cans at the entrance to B- unit. We encourage packing trash out and recycling.
The following are prohibited at all cabin camps: Pets Grafitti Solicitation Weapons of any kind Smoking inside of buildings Camping trailers or pitched tents Hunting or hunting paraphernalia Kerosene,electric or other type of heater	Note: This is only a guide and is not all inclusive. Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations is applicable to the park. For further information, please contact the park’s visitor center at 703- 221- 7181 or the cabin camp office at 703- 221- 5843.